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October 6, 1900, by Asst. Surg. D. E. Robinson: October 1, American steamship *Roanoke*, crew, 82; passengers, 14; American steamship *Chas. Nelson*, crew, 30; passengers, 13.

Respectfully, M. H. FOSTER.
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Vessels from Mexican, Cuban, and Central-American ports inspected at Reedy Island Quarantine.

REEDY ISLAND QUARANTINE,
via Port Penn, Del., October 7, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to report that the following vessels from Mexican, Cuban, and Central-American ports were inspected at this station during the week ended October 6, 1900: October 1, steamship *Broadgarth*, from Tampico, in ballast; no passengers. Bill of health signed by consul.

Respectfully, T. F. RICHARDSON,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S., In Command.

Arrival at Baltimore of vessels from West Indian and South American ports.

BALTIMORE, MD., *October 13, 1900.*

SIR: The following-named vessels entered at this port during the week ended this day from the ports named: October 8, Norwegian steamship *Tyr*, from Santiago de Cuba, iron ore. October 10, British steamship *Barnstable*, from Bocas del Toro, fruit. October 11, American bark *Dom Pedro II*, from Rio de Janeiro, coffee. October 12, American barkentine *Doris*, from Rio de Janeiro, coffee. October 13, British steamship *Burton*, from Santiago de Cuba, iron ore; Norwegian steamship *Hero*, from Daiquiri, iron ore.

Respectfully, WM. F. STONE,
Collector.

Smallpox in Minnesota.

ST. PAUL, MINN., *October 11, 1900.*

SIR: I have to report smallpox to date, from this State, as follows: Brainerd, September, 1; Duluth, September, 15; Winsted, August and September, 12; Two Harbors, September, 1; LeSueur County, Cordova Township, September, 2; Meeker County, Ellsworth Township, September, 1; Ottertail County, Dead Lake Township, August and September, 16; Ottertail County, Rush Lake Township, August and September, 9; Traverse County, Arthur Township, September, 1; Winona County, St. Charles Township, September, 3.

Many of these cases should have been reported to you prior to September 1, but for various reasons they were not reported promptly to this office and consequently I have not been able to give you an earlier statement.

Respectfully,

H. M. BRACKEN,
Secretary State Board of Health.

REPORTS FROM THE MEXICAN BORDER.

El Paso, Tex., October 6, 1900—Inspection service.—I have the honor to submit the following summary of work at this station for the week ended October 6, 1900: Inspection private car from interior of Mexico, 12

persons; inspection Mexican Central Railroad passenger trains, 153 persons; inspection Rio Grande and Pacific Railroad trains, 34 persons; disinfection of clothing, blankets, etc., of Mexican immigrants, 20 bundles; disinfection of 2 carloads of bones imported from Mexico; disinfection of cattle hides, 412. Seven passengers arrived from Vera Cruz during the past week. The party had a certificate from a well-known American physician in the city of Mexico stating that the party had only passed through Vera Cruz, and remained seven days in the City of Mexico to avoid being detained here. I let them pass.

E. ALEXANDER,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Laredo, Tex., October 5, 1900—Inspection service—Rumor of yellow fever increasing at Tampico.—I have been hearing rumors of increase of yellow fever at Tampico, Mexico. To-day a reliable person informed me that the health authorities of Monterey, Mexico, had sent out physicians to place a quarantine against Tampico somewhere on the line of the Mexican Gulf Railroad. The quarantine really consists only of an inspection of passengers without disinfection; at least that is what it consisted of at a former time. I disinfect all baggage from Tampico and also require ten days' absence from said port.

There is a good deal of dengue prevailing at Monterey at present of a severe type; in fact, I am informed that some of the physicians (American) are going to examine the urine of their dengue patients. That looks as if they are suspicious of yellow fever even in Monterey. I am unacquainted with any physician at Tampico, Mexico. Yellow fever at Tampico is more of a menace to this frontier than at Vera Cruz as there are no places noninfectible between here and Tampico.

October 6, persons passed at international foot and tramway bridge, 3,310; refused entry, 2 suspicious Italians; passengers inspected and passed on Mexican National Railroad, 420; refused entry, 17 Italians until they complete the period after possible exposure to infection; immigrants, Mexican, inspected and passed, 45; immigrants vaccinated, 16; immigrants, Italian, inspected and passed, 3. October 4, 1 man twelve days out from Tampico disinfected baggage and allowed entry. One person four days out from Tampico, Mexico, but from Vera Cruz; no baggage; refused entry until completed term of ten days from Tampico. All Pullman Company linen is disinfected before shipment to San Antonio, Tex., to be laundered.

H. J. HAMILTON,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Statistical reports of States and cities of the United States—Yearly and monthly.

CALIFORNIA—*Los Angeles.*—Month of September, 1900. Estimated population, 103,000. Total number of deaths, 117, including diphtheria, 1; enteric fever, 4; whooping cough, 1, and 25 from phthisis pulmonalis.

Oakland.—Month of September, 1900. Estimated population, 75,000. Total number of deaths, 90, including diphtheria, 1; enteric fever, 2, and 15 from tuberculosis.

CONNECTICUT—*Hartford.*—Month of September, 1900. Estimated population, 79,950. Total number of deaths, 98, including diphtheria, 1; enteric fever, 2; whooping cough, 2, and 11 from phthisis pulmonalis.